

## State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations **DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION**

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**TO:** Members of the Council on Elementary and Secondary Education

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Endorsement of Academic Standards for Core Subjects

During the 2019 legislative session, a bill was passed regarding statewide academic standards. Section 16-22-30 requires the state to review and, as necessary, develop statewide academic standards for the core subjects of mathematics, English language arts, science and technology, history and social studies, world languages, and the arts.

RIDE engaged stakeholders in a process to review the standards based on criteria for the academic standards identified in the legislation. Each set of standards is currently endorsed by the Council and is being utilized in the state to align curriculum and instruction. Feedback was received on both the standards themselves as well as the process and criteria.

RECOMMENDATION: THAT, the Council on Elementary and Secondary Education renews its endorsement of the content standards, as presented.

- Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts/Literacy
- Common Core State Standards for Mathematics
- Next Generation Science Standards
- RI Social Studies Grade Span Expectations
- National Core Arts Standards
- ACTFL World-Readiness Standards for Learning Languages
- RI Early Learning and Development Standards